6: Abbeville--312v-314v (1611) 1614 Tupinamba
116, 153, 537, 576

...They are very susceptible to all you wish to tell them, and vey quick to understand that which you wish to teach, being very desirous to learn and be instructed and apt at imitating all they see done.

They are so attentive and poised that they will listen to you very earnestly as long as you wish to talk without interrupting in any way. They never disturb a person who gives a long speech nor [313] interrupt when someone else is talking. They listen to each other, and do not speak in confusion, several at the same time. They are great speech makers, and enjoy long speeches, which they make for two or three hours without hesitating or getting disturbed, knowing how to draw conclusions from arguments.

They are very reasonable and are led only by reason and a knowledge of the causes. [314v] [MC: Appealing to their reason the priests asked them why they should pierce their lips, pointing out that if God had wished the lip pierced He would have done it. Several convinced by this argument, ceased piercing their lips and shaving their bodies as well as those of their children.]

7: Evreux--71 (1611-13) 1864 Tupinamba
116, 153, 211

They have excellent memories and they always remember what they have seen or heard and they can tell you all the circumstances of place, time, and persons, the things said or done. They trace with their fingers in the sand the geography or natural representation of what they want to convey.